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Index of Industrial Production
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has revised/ proposes to revise the methodology of calculating the Index of Industrial Production;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with its effect on the index's capturing of data and resulting time series comparisons;

(c) whether the index's categories of commodities and articles and their respective weightages in the index is also being revamped;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether there is a divergence in the base year of the Index in comparison to other important data such as CPI/WPI and GDP data and if so, the reasons for this divergence?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS [GENERAL (Dr.) V. K. SINGH (Retd.)]

(a) The Government has decided to revise the base year of the all-India Index of Industrial Production (IIP) from 2004-05 to 2011-12.

(b) In order to capture the changes in the structure of the industry over the recent past, the Government revises the base year periodically. The revision will improve the capturing of data and also facilitate time series comparison through 'linking factors'.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Decision on categories of commodities and articles to be included in the index and their respective weights is not taken.

(e) No, Sir.

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